RESOLUTION NO. 2011-3

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING MARCH 4, 2011, AS ARBOR DAY WITHIN THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE.

WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and,

WHEREAS, the holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and,

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and,

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, lower our heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and,

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and,

WHEREAS, trees in our town increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and,

WHEREAS, trees wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee has adopted the first Friday in March as Arbor Day; and,

WHEREAS, March 4, 2011, is the first Friday in March of 2011 and that day has been designated and will be celebrated as Arbor Day within the State of Tennessee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council Members of the Town of Signal Mountain, Tennessee, hereby designate Friday, March 4, 2011, as the official day for observance and celebration of Arbor Day within the Town.

MAYOR

DATE

RECORDER

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